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#### DECEMBER CONCERTS AT UNIVERSITY OF LOWELL

LOWELL, MASS. - The University of Lowell College of Music has announced its December concert calendar. Highlighting the month's schedule are several holiday performances.

The Collegiate Chorale, conducted by Ralph Farris, presents a Christmas concert, December 10 at 7:00 PM in the Concert Hall, Durgin Performing Arts Center. Also, the Chorale will open the Museum of Fine Arts Christmas Week celebration at the MFA, December 12, at 4:00 PM.

On December 11 a Violin and Piano Concert is planned. Virginia Loiselle, violinist, and guest artist Bertica Shulman Cramer, pianist, will perform in Fisher Recital Hall, Durgin Performing Arts Center, beginning at 8:00 PM. The following day, December 12, the Concert Band and University Band offer a concert at 8:30 PM in the Concert Hall, Durgin. Dean of the College of Music, Thomas G. Elliot conducts the Concert Band in a selection of works by Hovhaness, Gould, and Grainger, and the University Band, led by J. Alan Whiston, performs works by Erickson, Ashe, and Canter.

A Faculty Recital featuring Rawn Spearman, baritone, is scheduled for December 13, at 8:00 PM in Fisher Recital Hall, Durgin Performing Arts Center.

December 14 the Brass Ensemble, conducted by Peter Iancto, and the Concert Choir, conducted by Dean Emeritus Edward Gilday, perform in Fisher Hall, at 8:00 PM. The Choir will sing carols from around the world, as well as traditional favorites.

The holiday celebration moves to downtown Lowell on December 18 as Thomas Elliot conducts a performance of Handel's "The Messiah" in St. Anne's Church, Merrimack Street, Lowell, at 8:00 PM.

Durgin Performing Arts Center is located at the south campus of the University of Lowell, on Pawtucket and Wilder Streets, Lowell. Admission is free and the concerts are open to the public. For more information on the concerts call (617) 452-5000, extension 250.

Also scheduled at the campus this month is a concert by Lowell-born pianist Michael Thomopoulos, in the Community Concerts Series, December 10 at 3:00 PM, in the Concert Hall, Durgin.

The University Concert Choir, a 45-member group under the direction of Dr. Gilday, will also perform holiday songs on the WCVB-TV Channel Five "Good Morning" show from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM, December 19. Christmas Eve, at 3:00 PM, WCAP-AM radio station in Lowell will broadcast selections by the Choir in a special hour-long broadcast.

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